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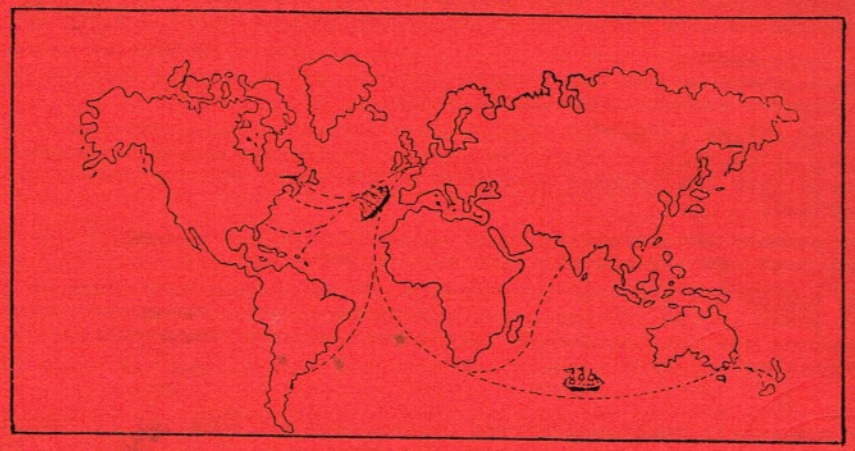

Idea by Clare Haynes.

RESEARCH.

Most County Record Offices have a list of local researchers who are prepared to undertake research for persons unable to visit or residing a long way from their offices. However, they make clear that they do not recommend or 'approve' them so any transactions must be between the researcher and client. The Society cannot act as a 'go-between' in any such transaction for obvious reasons.

It is hoped that U.K. members will try and help our overseas members when visiting a C.R.O. or other genealogical establishments. If U.K. members see an item in the Journal that they think they can help with at their local C.R.O. please write to the person concerned to offer your help.

Many genealogical establishments, Registrars of Births, Marriages and Deaths, will not reply unless you send an addressed envelope and stamps likely to cover return postage. Overseas members should always include TWO International Reply Coupons when writing to such establishments to ensure a reply. They do like to help persons living overseas with their researches and this will practically ensure a reply, and in some cases a little more information than you have asked for, or suggestions where the desired data can be found.

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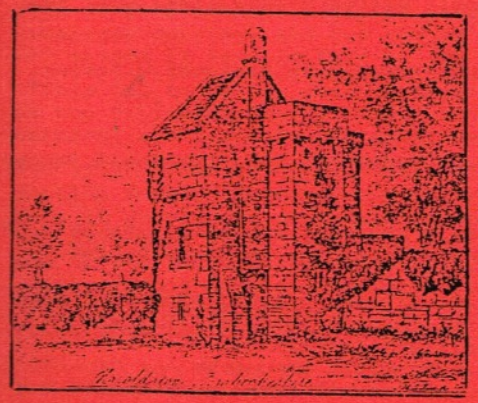

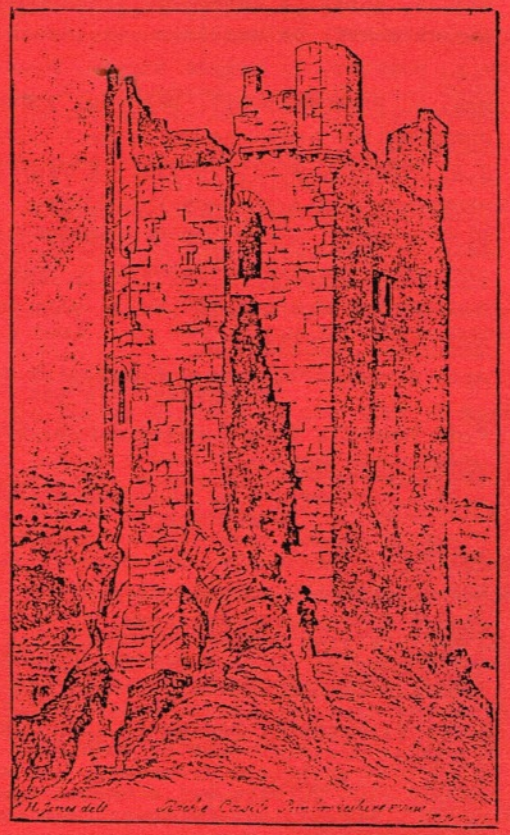

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COAT OF ARMS.

The coat of Arms shown on the front cover of this Journal are those of the armigerous family of Perrott. The use of this device in no way is meant to imply that the Society, or any of its members, has a right to bear these arms, and no such entitlement is claimed.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS.

The fifth A.G.M. is now over and done with and I hope that everyone who attended enjoyed themselves. Over 50 of us sat down to a splendid Buffet lunch and over 30 stayed on to enjoy the traditional roast dinner on the Sunday. Sorry if the actual meeting went on longer than usual but it was essential to explain what has to happen to the Society and also obtain all the extra helpers. Elsewhere in the Journal you will see what it is hoped to do to improve services to members. I feel we have had many drop out of the membership because we have not provided the service required, although individual members have to put in some effort to solve their own problems. It is impossible to trace lines back to the 1500's for a membership fee of £6.00 only.

You will see in the Minutes of the A.G.M. elsewhere in the Journal that we are holding next years A.G.M. in Dorset and as near to the Allington/ Symondsbury/Bridport area as possible. I am going to 'suss out' a hall, small hotels, and caterers,on the way down to Devon later this summer and will print details as soon as I can. This is an holiday area and as the meeting is over the Spring Bank Holiday it will mean that hotels are starting to fill up. This means that members intending to come along to this delightful area MUST reserve accommodation early (Before Christmas preferably) and not leave it until April.

Well there is so much copy in the Journal 'bank' that I had better start on this Journal immediately. So here goes. (A new ribbon to start with.)

STRANGE RETURN OF THE LONG-LOST HEIR TO CASTLE NARBERTH.

How many of you saw the article in the Sunday Express of the 30th of April, when we were at Ampthill?. At least seven members as they all sent the newspaper cutting, and two phoned to ask if I wanted a copy. For those who missed it here it is:- (by journalist Byron Rogers, by the way.)

"This has to be the strangest story I have ever recorded. It came about in the following way. It was a Sunday afternoon in West Wales, it was raining, and I was in the small Pembrokeshire town of Narberth.

Now if you know anything about Wales it will be that on a Sunday afternoon nothing moves. (Remember our efforts to get tea last April?-Ed.) I fell back on an old way of passing time and tried to find the castle. Even if you have been to Narberth you may have missed the castle, so ruined is it and so set back behind the trees on its mound. But as I walked up the short drive I came on a plastic chain stretched across it, with the notice "PRIVATE". Beyond this was what looked like an abandoned car, its tyres flat. That was the first surprise.

Although the weeds and grass were high, someone had clearly been doing a lot of building work. The masonry was newly pointed, a roof had been built over one chamber and iron grilles set into the windows as though someone had started to build himself a small jail. Then, climbing higher, I came on a cleared plateau on which there was a rusting cement mixer. And a caravan. Whoever it was, that someone had moved in. For there was a tap and an overhead electric cable. Not only had he moved in but he had had water and electricity laid on to Narberth Castle.

But there was no sign of him, just the abandoned car, some tools, the mixer and a caravan which appeared to have been broken into. By now I was fascinated and I came back the next day and this is the story.

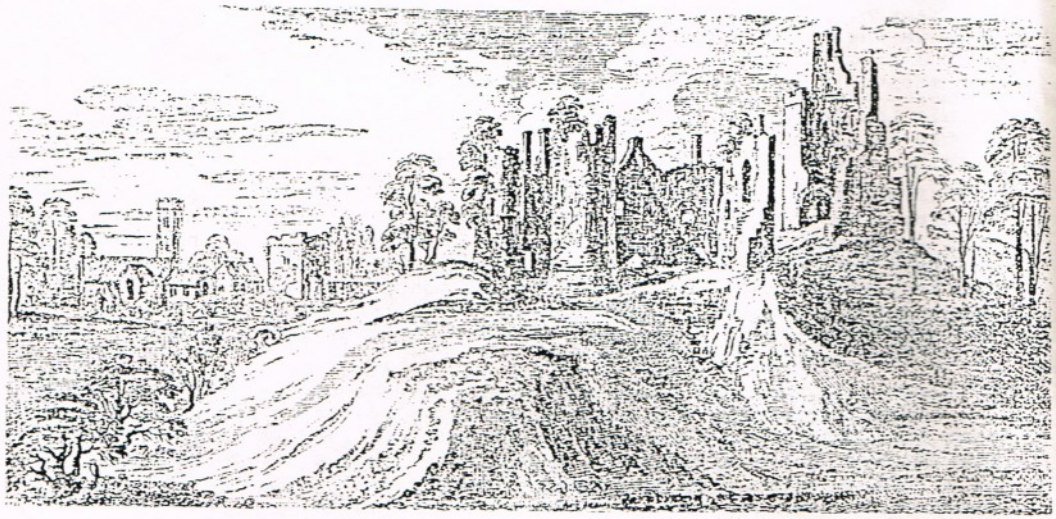
About nine years ago (seven by some accounts) an elderly man some said had been an Australian sheep farmer, others a P and O steward, had turned up. his name, he said, was Perrot. This will mean little to you but in Narberth it was as though someone called Caesar or Plantagenet had come. The Perrots had been the great lords of South Pembrokeshire until the most famous of that name died in the Tower in the 16th cetury, found guilty of high treason. And now one had returned. The castle then belonged

to a local doctor, now dead, who was so impressed by the story that he sold the ruin to him for, so it is said, £5. But it was what happened next that took everyone back. The old chap moved in. The first thing he did was to remove the entire top soil of what had been a garden 40 yards long. This, you must remember, was done by a man already in his seventies.

He would start work at daybreak and continue until the light went. Few people in the town saw him for he rarely came down from his mound. But an elderly man living in the terrace at its foot said his wife became so concerned she often took cakes up to him. He raely went himself."He'd start talking about his family and you'd be there for four hours. " (Oh how the "P's" can talk - ED.) Tons of gravel got delivered, and stone. The old man dug down two, three, often four feet, revealing the curve of towers hidden for centuries. Most of the work was meticulously done.

But in the mysterious roofed chamber he used new stone, and sandstone at that. He constructed a new porch out of this, something which was an offence against every ancient monument law ever drafted. Yet no government inspector intervened for, as far as I can make out, nobody in authority knew the scale of what the lost heir was up to on his mound.It ended when the lady with the cakes, having heard no sound of activity, went up and found time had stopped again there. Robert Perrot, aged 77, was dead in his caravan.

Everything is just as he left them, the car and the tools, and presumably this was as he wanted it for the last of the Perrots had died in the home of his ancestors. He left this to his sister's grandson. A young dentist from Chelmsford is now desperately trying to work out what he will do with a ruined castle in Narberth. "



THE SOUTH VIEW OF NARBETH-CASTLE, PEMBROKE.

This is a view of Narberth Castle made by Samuel & Nathaniel Buck in 1740. I assume a wood-cut. The inscription underneath says:- "This Castle is said to have been built by Sir Andrew Perrot, whose ancestor came out of Normandy with Willm ye Conqueror, adjoining to a market town of that name, about 6 miles East of Haverford-West, & placed there a Garrison of Flemings. The Propriator (sic) is George Barlow,Esq."

NEW MEMBERS.

No. 241. Mrs. Joyce Gray, 103A Berseford Rd, Chingford, London,E4 6EF. Joyce descends from the Devon Perretts and the tree she sent commences with a Frances Eliza Perrett who married a Samuel Bulley 21.12.1856 at Plymouth, and are her great-grandparents. Their son, Henry Ebenezer,married Margaret Sabina Williams on 12.8.1888 at Plymouth. The second son of this marriage, John Coombe who was born in 1894, married Edith Carrie Rhoda Bartlett in 1924 and are Joyce's parents. Joyce sent some odds & ends that she had gathered and that Frances Eliza's father was a John Perrett. Using the 1988 IGI that was sent me by Bette Woodside in the USA (Member No. 40) and the extensive research that Bette has done, I was able to find that this John had married a Susanna Yolland 5.2.1818 at Paignton. Both John and Susanna had been previously married. John would appear to have been married to a Susan previously and from Bette's details I think it would be Susan Newton who was married 28.6.1802 at Exeter.
A will of William Perrett of E. Stonehouse dated 1828 mentions his brother John, a carpenter of Paignton, who is certainly the John above. He also mentions his father a John Perrett. This, and other data leads back to a John & Martha of Stoke Damerel. I can go no further at present but have suggested that Joyce looks at the E. Stonehouse area registers which aren't on the IGI. Perhaps Bette could also be of help as Joyce's tree probably connects in with hers at a much earlier date.

No. 242. Leslie S. Roberts, 45 Oakleaf Drive, Polegate, E. Sussex,BN26 6PS. Leslie's descent is from a Peter Parrott and wife, whose maiden name is unknown, but they had a son, also Peter, born to them in 1834 at 289 High Holborn in 1834. He married 9.5. 1855 an Elizabeth Pipe and there were two known children of this marriage. One was Aaron and the other a Walter James P, who is Leslie's grandfather, who was born 26.101859, again in Holborn. He married 6.1.1880 a Susan Stiles, widow, there were four children of this union - Walter Thomas, Clare Eliza, Florence Katie, and Leslie's mother Susanah Ethel, born 15.9. 1887. She married Frederick Sinclair Roberts 1.8.1909 and on the 19th of September 1912 Leslie was born. Aaron (John) is the only one appearing in the St. Catherines index and his birth took place at Maidstone in the March quarter of 1858. Is this a pointer? The IGI for London does not help as regards Peter's birth in 1834 but it is the 1981 edition and perhaps the 1988 will help when we purchase it. Can anyone else help?.

No. 243. Mrs. Cynthia Thomas, 1 Old Rectory Close, Broughton Astley, Leicestershire, LE9 6PP. Our first 'Purrott' descended member. Cynthia starts her tree with a William Purrott, son of a John, who married Sarah Beart on the 21st of October 1841 at St. George's, Hanover Square. Their second daughter, Hannah Lucy, married William Charles Sweet in 1871 at St. Leonards in Shoreditch. There were seven children and their second daughter, Ellen Mary, born 1879, married William Brimley Hine in 1900 at Tottenham. The eldest son (there were seven more children,) Willaim Albert Hine , who was born 1901, married Florence Maria Lawrence at Tottenham in 1926 and are Cynthia's parents.

The 1851 census shows that William was aged 40 and born in Hertfordshire, and his marriage certificate shows that a Rachel Purrott was a witness. From the Herts IGI there is a William and also a Rachel Purrett baptised to a John and Sarah at Rickmansworth, Herts. The earliest reference to other children of this couple is in 1796, so could be the next generation back.

A suitable marriage between a John and Sarah Hanshawe occurs on 3.1.1795 at Gt Berkhampstead, Herts. Purr/a/e/ott is common in Beds and at later dates in Hertfordshire. Many of the Beds wills are made by persons having one of these variants,even though one can trace the lines back reasonably well to the original spellings of Perrott/Parrott in the 15/1600's. I have looked at our data on Herts wills (not purchased as yet) and would recommend that Cynthia purchases copies of these:-

Daniel Parrett,yeoman, Rickmansworth 1798.
Susanna Parrett,widow, " 1802.
Joseph Parrot,carpenter, Great Gaddesden, 1824.

If there is a clue from these then there are earlier "P" wills for Rickmansworth. There are other wills including one by a John P ,farmer of Flamstead in 1818, all of which are in the area concerned. The Herts Record Office will supply copies at a small charge. They are among the wills the Society are to purchase this financial year.

No. 244. Ian T. Parrott, 27 Dale Avenue, Hassocks, W. Sussex,BN6 8LP. Ian starts his tree with a William John Parrott, his great grandfather, who married Alice Smith 5.8.1901. at S. Croydon. This couple had 12 children and their third son, Frederick,who was born 1907, married Phyllis Rose Jackson. Their son Eric, born 1931, married Celia Leach and are Ian's parents, Ian being born in 1962. The marriage certificate of William John shows that his father was a Thomas and that William was aged 24 when married. I found him in the St. Catherines index,but unfortunately two born in the June quarter of 1876, one under Hatfield - 3a-384, and the other under Poplar - 1c-690 (or could be 698) I have suggested that Ian writes for a copy but to stress that the father's name must be Thomas or it is not the correct certificate. (Hope they both dont have Thomas for for a father!!) Will report on progress as I am informed.

No. 245. Mr. & Mrs. John Perrett, Willow House, Mill Lane, Hulcote, Milton Keynes, MK17 8BP. Yes, yet another John "P", who will now be known as 'The Milton Keynes John' !!.He is a half brother to Member No. 251, so the descent is practically the same. It commences with a George Perrett who lived at Abernant, Glamorgan, but is thought to be of Wiltshire origins. His son, Albert George, married Jenet Davis and there were 7 children,one of whom was Clifford George , born 1908 at Aberdare and who moved to Watford, Herts. He married,firstly, Phylis Grey and they had a son Ronald George - Member No. 251. The second marriage was to Ethel Cordery and John is the son of this marriage. They have two sons, Andrew Richard and Michael Clifford.

Whilst at Ampthill they found the St. Catherines reference for Albert George's birth and are applying for the certificate. This will show the maiden name of George's wife and it should then be possible to obtain the marriage certificate and learn who George's father was. These names strike a bell. Have we a member who descends from the same line? I really must start an index of members descents and names on them.
As stated above Ronald George is John's half brother and he came all the way from Cardiff to join us at Ampthill. He and his wife, Audrey, have three daughters, Lynda, Elaine and Wendy, I assume named after John's wife?. I have searched the St. Catherines Index for George marriages and there are none back to 1860 in the Abernant area, one at Pontypool and quite a number in Wiltshire. We must await details from Albert's certificate.

No. 246. David T. Wiles, 80 Drayton Road, Luton, Beds, LU4 0PH. David has sent a 'tree' that starts with Thomas Parrott who was married to Elizabeth Smith at Cardington 6.8.1780. The IGI shows five children born to this couple at Stevington. Three of whom were baptised on 21.2.1802 so probably some of these were late baptisms. A look at the registers may show actual ages. The line continues with William, a son of Elizabeth, one of the daughters of Thomas & Elizabeth. Whether base or not I am not sure. He married an Emma Parrott of Stevington, so could be a cousin. Edward, their son, had several children and one of these, Florence married Sydney George Wiles, who are David's parents. I may not have got this descent quite right as not too clear but will check with David and amend in next issue if wrong.
However, the IGI would appear to show that the original Thomas was the son of Robert Parriott & Susannah, baptised Turvey 24.8.1760. (one of Thomas' daughters was called Susannah) and Robert could be the one marrying Susan Pettit 22.10.1757 at Carlton. However a check on burial registers is needed before one could be certain. Allthe places mentioned are within a mile or so of each other which would appear to support the above suppositions,except that Bucks is only 'down the road'.

No. 247. Russell Parrott, Limbursey Nurseries, Maulden, Beds. Russell joined us at Ampthill but at the time of typing this I have not received any details of his family. Will print later if it arrives before going to print.

No. 248. Mrs. Isobel Cox, 23 Home Meadow, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL7 3BA. Isobel was another who joined at the AGM and her tree starts with a Henry Parrott, born Hatfield, Herts in August 1892, and Isobels father. She knows that his father was a Joseph Parrott who married Mary Ann Hill, dates unknown. I have sent a list of 'Joseph' marriages for the area to Isobel, one of which was at Hatfield in 1878, so await the data from it. Hopefully, this will show his age at marriage and also his father's name which will narrow the search for the enxt event backwards on the pedigree.

No. 249. Mike Pacey, 5 Church Road, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard, Beds. I have not received any details from Mike so will have to put elsewhere if received in time. Mike is looking into the question of obtaining the "P's" from the 1988 IGI at a reduced rate so maybe why I have not heard. (IGI for whole of UK by the way.)

No. 250. Mrs. Maxine Scott, Church View, Church Lane, Hungarton, Leics. Maxine is our President's younger daughter - sister to Terry - and she knows her descent from the Perretts of Wiltshire very well. She would be about a 16th cousin to me!!! Anyway a very big welcome to you.

No. 251. Ronald G. Perrett, 41 Three arches Ave, Llanishen, Cardiff, CF4 5NW. As stated previously, Ronald is the half brother of John Perrett (no. 245.) so the details are as shown under that number, EXCEPT that Ronald sends details of Albert George's birth certificate received since I typed John's details. His father is now confirmed as George and his mother as Ellen,nee Kelly. He also sends details that Albert had a sister Jeanette.

I have searched the St. Catherines indexes and there are many Perretts and Perrotts in the Merthyr Tidfil district from 1837 onwards. There would appear to be three Perrott and Two Perrett

families in the area due to the intervals between births. I have searched the marriage index and only found four 'George' marriages back to 1868 in the general area, none of which are under Merthyr Tidfil. Will investigate further shortly if I don't hear from Ronald that he has found other data.

No. 252. Janet Church, 80 Breydon Way, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR33 9AT. Janet has sent a 'tree' that commences with a Joseph and Sarah Cumming who when they married were the parents of a John Parrott who was born on the 5th of May 1845 at Kent in the parish of Blackawton.. He married Scyllia Hutchings on Feb 4th 1866. They had 5 daughters and 4 sons. The first eight children were all born at Brixham, Devon and the last at Lowestoft. The second daughter, Scyllia, was born 26.10.1874 and married Alfred Charles Church at Lowestoft 22.1.1899. They had four sons and a daughter, but I am not sure if they are Janet's grandfather or father as the pedigree does not go beyond their names. Perhaps Janet will let me know. Janet says she had a certificate for a John P but it turned out to be the wrong one. It shows this John was born at Upton 27.2.1845 and his parents were John Perrott and Mary Anne (nee Melhuish) If anyone is interested in this couple Janet will send the certificate as it is no use to her. I should have mentioned at the beginning that Joseph & Sarah were PARROTTS, and that Blackawton is in Devon.
The marriage of Joseph & Sarah is not on the 1988 IGI and their marriage - if in Devon - is not on the St. Catherines index as it appears to have taken place before 1.7.1837 when it starts. However, marriages at Blackawton are on the Devon Marriage index and Janet should contact Mrs. J. Say, 51 Tiverton Rd, Cullompton, Devon, EX15 1JG. Failing this perhaps Bette Woodside in the USA may be able to help.

No. 253. Mrs. Pamela Studzinski, 9 Willow Vale, Fetcham, Leatherhead, Surrey, KT22 9TE. At the time of typing this I have not had any details of Pam's ancestry so it will have to wait until the next issue.

No. 254. Mrs. Eve Walker, 45 Wellington Road, Denton, Newhaven, East Sussex, BN9 0RD. Eve is a distant relation of mine, so is of 'moonraker' descent. Her line commences with Bartholomew Perret, who died in 1580. She follows me down to the marriage of Thomas Perrett and Sarah Baish at West Lavington,Wilts, on 2.11.1815 (supposedly when Thomas returned from Waterloo as the legend runs in the family.) Their eldest son, Richard, baptised on the 3rd March 1816 is where we part company as my descent is via his brother, James, born 1818 at Market Lavington. Richard was the Chelsea Pensioner mentioned in George's book, and he had 8 children by his marriage to Sarah Newman(6.7.1845.) The first two died with Richard's father, Thomas, in a period of a week. Eve descends via William the last born,baptised 13.9. 1865. Eve is a cousin of John Perrett(member No. 9.) who has just relinquished his duties as Mayor of Devizes.

MEMBER No. 86. Mrs. Elsie Perrett.

It is with regret that I have to announce the death of Elsie Perrett who lived at Curry Rivel, Somerset. Elsie joined, with her daughter Joy, a few weeks before our meeting at West Lavington in 1985. I have written to Joy on behalf of the Society expressing our condolences and asked her to let me have more details about her mother for later inclusion.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

The following have been notified to me:-

No. 87. Mrs. J. Thorne to:- Thorney East Farm, Muchelney, Langport, Somerset.

No. 141. Gordon & Nelson Perrett to:- C/o Westview, Wotton-Under-Edge, Glos, GL12 7HP.

No. 152. Membership has been transferred from Mrs Anne Perrott to BRIAN PERROTT, 13 Stanway Close, Alkrington, Middleton, Manchester, M24 1HP. Brian came all the way down to be with us for lunch at Pulloxhill on the Sunday of the AGM. The family are descended from the Stroud area of Gloucestershire. My last suggestion to Anne was the purchase of the marriage certificate of James Perrott and Lavinia Nickols. This I thought may have been under Stroud 6a-650 in the December quarter of 1867. I do not know if this was purchased, perhaps Brian will tell me.

UPDATE ON PROPOSALS FROM THE A.G.M.

Members will see from the Minutes of the A.G.M. (pages 19-24) that the purchase of a photocopier was mooted. In conjunction with the Junior Football League that I organise, I have an offer of sponsorship for a suitable machine and propose to share the cost 50/50 after sponsorship contributions are taken into account. Hopefully this will be purchased very shortly. Ths Society contribution being in the region of £150-175. More details in next issue. You will also note the list of County reps on the inside front cover. Basically what is intended is to deposit with these members all the data we have concerning a County. e.g. IGI, Wills, register enties, and any deposited data. They will also have details of members who are interested in that county. This will take some time to set up so it will probably be nearer Christmas before all is in place. I will announce when in the Journal. I also intend to deposit copies of the ST. Catherines indexes with a member. A volunteer please? The main purpose is, of course, to ensure that Society data is not lost if there should be a fire at my home. See next item for further assistance.

A PLEA TO MEMBERS WITH COMPUTERS.

A start was made with transferring the indexes from St. Catherines onto computer discs. Births 1837-52 and male marriages 1837-57 have been completed. Volunteers are required to transfer these to 1900 in five yearly periods for births and ten yearly for marriages. When completed I would like deaths to be likewise dealt with. Sorting is into two files, by name and date order (christian names.) and by Registration Districts in date order. A programme exists for this and I am obtaining details. By cutting up the printouts and then consolidating it is possible to photocopy into a continuous period for both names and Districts. If any member is prepared to help please let me know. This will save a great deal of time in looking for a particular event when trying to help our members.

MRS. EVELYN PARROTT-SCOTT.

Just enough space left in this edition to tell you that I have heard this morning that Evelyn is very honoured to have been offered a Vice-Presidency and is pleased to accept. A profile on Evelyn in the next issue.

CAROLINE PERRETT/NGOUNGOU.

I had hoped to start the serialisation of the story of Caroline Perrett who was kidnapped by the Maoris of New Zealand. Terry Perrett brought a video made in New Zealand (when the story was shown on T.V.) to the AGM which created a lot of interest there and also at the AGM of the Guild of One-Name Societies. Space has run out so will start it in the next issue.

STOP PRESS. Visiting Bridport in July to fix up next year's A.G.M.

SOME WILTSHIRE MARRIAGES.

The NIMROD index (Names in marriage registers on deposit - clever eh?) has sent George Perrett another list from parishes that have just been indexed. One or two of those below may have appeared in previous issues, but I have included them all just in case they weren't.

25. 4.1709.	Richard Parret of Mere to Sarah Awbry of Debtford, at Geat Wishford.
23.10.1771.	Sarah Perrot,tp, to William Myles, tp, at Edington,banns.
3. 6.1773.	James Perrot, St. Clements Dane, Middlesex, to Mary Giffard, sp, tp, at Chilton Foliat,licence. Witnesses were Thomas & Mary Giffard.
12. 5.1779.	William Perrot of Fonthill Bishop to Ann Matter,tp, at Fonthill Giffard, banns.
5. 5.1782.	David Perrat of Erlestoke to Betty Wallace, tp, licence at Edington.
9. 9.1790.	John Perrett,tp, to Hannah Papps of Tp,at Warminster,banns.
9.10.1828.	Robert Perrett,bach,to Sarah Stump,sp, at Westport St.Mary.
14. 5.1829.	William Perrett,bach, to Martha Pendell, sp " " "

GLOUCESTERSHIRE PARISH REGISTER EXTRACTS.

Pip Perrett, member No. 120 has now sent me photocopies of extracts from Parish Registers in Gloucestershire which he extracted from the County Record Office. They have now been entered onto separate sheets for each parish they do not cover all dates from earliest but several do. If you have any queries on Glos then contact Pip at:- 'School House,K.L.B.School, Wotton-under-edge, Glos, GL12 8RB. The parishes concerned are as follows:-

Aldsworth, Beverstone, Cam, Chipping Sodbury, Coln St. Dennis, Dowdeswell, Dursley, Farmington, Frocester, Gloucester St. Nicholas, Minchinhampton, North Nibley, Painswick, Preston-on-Stour, Shipton Oliffe/Sollars,Temple Guiting, Tetbury, Tewkesbury, Wickwar, Withington, and Wotton-under-Edge.

The entries cover Baptisms,Marriages and Burials.

JOSIAH PERROTT OF BRIDPORT/ALLINGTON.

Reginald Perrott, member No. 100, writes concerning the item about Josiah in the last issue and my supposition that the elusive'Josiah of Josiah' may have been connected with Joseph and Hannah(nee Williams) who were having children there from 1804 to 1826.

Although Reg was unable to find the baptism of a Josiah around 1822 when he carried out his own researches many years ago, he says that his grandfather always said that his own grandfather was known as Josiah even though named Joseph at his baptism. This is, of course the Joseph referred to above. Reg also points out that the two year average between baptisms of their children leaves a gap between 1819 and 1824. Anne Flooks is going to look up the 1861 census on her next visit to the CRO to see if she can find Henry/Harry staying with other Perrotts and if so the relationship of the child to the head of the household. Watch this space!!!.

WHOSE FAMILY IS THIS?

George Perrett has sent the following inscription on a plaque that is in a bus shelter at Shipton Oliffe,Cheltenham, Gloucestershire:-

"IN MEMORY OF MY MOTHER AND FATHER, WALTER AND MAY PERRETT

WHOSE HARD WORK AND ENTERPRISE MADE OUR SUCCESS POSSIBLE "

JANUARY 1972.

George thinks it is to do with a coach hire company, but does anyone know more about it ?, if so let me know.

SOMERSET HOUSE WILLS AND ADMONS.. (CONTINUED.)

This is the 3rd exceprt from the Society's index of Somerset Hse wills.

1870. Cont.	Probate.	Death.	Place.	Granted to,	Value.
Perrott. Richard.	1. 2.	12. 1.70.	London,Tollington Pk,Mx.	Matilda Sydall P.,same.rel.	£60000.
" William.	5. 2.	18.10.69.	Llanfihangel,Brecon.	Wm P,son.	£4000.
Porritt. John.	2. 8.	7.10.70.	Lyth,Yorks.	John Simpson,Nephew.	£20.
" John.	17.11.	24. 9.70.	Danby,Yorks.	Thos Newton,Nephew.	£2000.
" William.	19.11.	4. 6.70.	Gomershall,Yorks.	Thos P, son.	£3000.
1871.					
Parratt. John.	11. 9.	20. 7.71.	Exeter,Devon.	Mary Frances P,Rel	£600.
" Richard.	20.11.	21.12.43.	Bradford,Yorks.	Thos P,son.	£100.
Parrett. Raymond.	15. 4.	6. 3.71.	Stockwell Rd,Sy.	Emma P,relict.	£50.
Parrott. Caroline Sophia.	9. 2.	24.11.71.	Dundridge,Devon.	Emma,Louisa P,siters.	£5000.
" Elizabeth.	19. 1.	30.12.70.	Leamington,Warw.	Thos.P.Husband.	£100
" Henry.	11.10.	22. 6.71.	Dunstable,Beds.	W.Robinson,Exec.	£2000.
" John.	27.10.	13. 8.71.	Leeds,Yorks.	Ellen P,Relict.	£200.
" John.	22.11.	29.10.70.	Moston,Chesh.	Ester P,Chester,Re	£100.
" Lewis.	9.10.	6. 8.68.	Charlbury,Oxon.	Ellen Lowe,Sist.	£300.
" Martha.	13.12.	20.11.71.	Edgbaston,Warw.	Thos.D.P. Son.	£3000.
" Matilda Sophia	23.5.	4. 5.71.	Brixton,Sry.	Geo Waylatt Harrison, Nephew.	£100.
" Richard.	9.10.	7. 9.71.	Overnorton,Oxon.	Ellen Lowe,Dtr.	£20.
" William.	10. 1.	31.12.70.	Kingsthorpe,Northts.	Wm Cox,Ex.	£450.
Perret. Arth Pierre.	10.1.	30.12.70.	Newmarket,Cambs,late Devon.	Mary P,relict.	£600.
Perrett. Ann.	26. 6.	17. 3.71.	Lilstock,Som.	Jane Shepherd & Wm Rawlins P,Dtr & Son.	£300.
" John.	21. 9.	11. 9.71.	Cheltenham,Glos.	Ann p,Relict.	£100.
Perrott. John.	4.12.	8.10.71.	Upton,Som.	John P,same,Son.	£100.
Porritt. Elizabeth.	13. 3.	18. 1.71.	Staithes,Yorks.	Thos Rodham Sen.	£300.
" James.	24. 5.	19. 2.71.	Ramsbottom,Lancs.	Margt Ann P,Re	£4000.
" William.	10. 6.	1. 1.71.	Chinley,Glossop,Derbys.	Robert & Isaac P, Sons.	£100.
1872.					
Parrett. Wm Erratt.	14. 8.	9. 7.72.	Gravesend,Kent.	Edw P.Winslow, Bucks, Son,& Wm Carpenter,Grav.	£800.
Parrott. Francis.	10.12.	1.10.72.	Ware,Herts.	Emma P,Relict,Edw Radbone, Francis P,Bishops Stortford,Son	£450.
" Henry Joseph.	30.11.	9.11.72.	Aldershott,Hants.	(Died in the Dept of the Somme,France.)Eliz P,Rel	£1000.
" Joseph.	3. 9.	25. 6.72.	Willesden,Mx.	Mary P.Sister.	£800.
" Martha.	13. 7.	16. 6.72.	Kingston,Sry.	Rich Paine,Exec.	£1500.
" Mary.	25. 4.	11. 5.65.	Birmingham,Warw.	James P,husb'd.	£100.
" Thomas.	29. 6.	17.11.71.	Kingston-U-Hull,Yorks.	Mary P,re	£2000.
" Wm Bavin.	11. 5.	12. 4.72.	Peterborough,Hunts.	Ann P,Relict (Admon only.)	£800.
" Wm Joseph.	10.12.	7.11.72.	Camberwell,Sry.	Wm Critchley,Ex.	£3000.
Perratt. John.	6. 7.	25. 6.72.	Chelsea, Mx.	Sarah Ann P,Relict	£300.
Perrett. Henry Nathaniel.	19. 8.	22. 7.72.	Revelstoke,Dev.	Henry P,Grandson of Pimlico,London.	£100.
Perrott. Ann Morgan.	8. 6.	31. 3.72.	Cheltenham,Glos.	Rev.Berrington of Nolton,Pembs,Edw Bigg,Bristol.	£10000.
" Thomas.	15.10.	3. 9.72.	Smethwick,Warw.	AnnP,Rel,Admon.	£200.
" William.	18. 5.	8. 4.72.	Berry Pomeroy,Dev.	Jane P,relict	£1500.
Porritt. John.	5. 7.	2. 5.71.	Glossop,Derbys.	Jos & John P,sons	£450.
" Jonas Milne.	5.12.	11.11.72.	Rochdale, Lancs.	Caroline P,Rel.	£5000.

Porritt. Mathew. 15. 1. 26.12.71.Lythe,Yorks. John & Hannah P. Brother & sister. £1500.
" Robert. 22. 7. 10. 6.72.Hinderwell,Yorks.Dan Stevens,Ex.£1500.
" Thos Jennings30. 5. 24.12.71.Formerly Ripon,Yorks,Now Cantsfield, Westmorland.Harriet P,relict. £300.

1873.

Parratt. John. 2. 4. 16. 3.73.Liverpool,Lancs.H.Roberts,exec. £25000.
"Thos Fanshaw. 12. 7. 23. 6.73.Ticehurst,SuxxTheodosia P,relict£9000
"Benjamin John.11. 1. 18.12.72.Woolwich,Kent.Fred'k P,Son. £800.
Parrett. William. 26.12. 14.12.73.Hoxton,Mx.Isabella P,relict. £200.
Parrott. Adriana. 3. 2. 22.11.72.Brighton,Sux.W.J.Harris,Ex. £200.
" Charles. 7. 6. 18. 4.73.Twickenham,Mx.Eliza P,dtr.Admon.£100.
"James Orry. 8. 3. 26.12.68.Retford,Notts.Sarah P,relict.Ad £100.
" John. 17.10. 25. 3.65.Goole,Yorks. Ann P,relict. £50
" John. 3.11. 9. 8.73.Peterborough,Northants. George Charlton,Gateshead. Exec. £200.
" Mary Ann. 1. 4. 22.10.67.Frome Selwood,Som.James P,Husb. £100.
" William. 29.12. 10.12.73.Oxford,Oxon,William P. son.Adm £300.
Perret. Edmund. 16. 4. 18. 2.73.Moreton Marrel,Warw.Sophia P.Rel£3000.
Perrett. James. 29.11. 6.11.73.Minety,Wilts.Drusilla P,niece. £50.
" Thomas. 5. 7. 2. 6.73.Atworth,Wilts.John P, Father.Ad.£200.
Perrot.Eugene Harrival. 16.7. 3.1.72.Rotherham,Yorks.Clement P.Br£2000.
Perrott. Anne. 25. 1. 25. 7.72.Llantillio,Mon.Eliz Wall,dtr.Adm£20.
" Henry. 13. 9. 16.11.72.Queens Camel,Som.Samuel P,son.Adm£200.
" Mary. 18. 7. 23. 5.73.Hillfarance,Som.Isaac &Joseph P.£200.
Porritt. George. 9. 9. 28. 7.73.Middlesboro,Yorks.Wm Henry,son. £300.
" Sarah. 13.11. 18..8.73.Southport,Lancs.M.Rothwell,Exec.£100.

1874.

Parratt. Andrew. 9. 7. 16. 6.74.Farnham,Surrey.Kezia P,relict. £2000.
" Sarah. 16. 2. 31. 1.74.Devonport,Devon,formerly Ramsgate, Kent,died Chatham.Edw Meredith P£800.
Parrott. Catherine 4. 5. 8. 3.74.Portman Sq.Mx.Mary P,sister. £3000.
Maria.
" Emily Mary. 15. 7. 3. 8.58.Piddington,Oxon.Edward P,husband£200.
" Harper. 18.11. 27. 7.74.Gt Driffield,Yks.Rev.Wm P.G/son.£300.
" Louisa Celina18.11. 28. 2.74.Lambeth,Sy.Eliza Fletcher,dtr. £100.
" Peter. 17. 9. 30. 7.74.Holborn,Mx,late Elstree,Herts. Gent. Mary P,sp. sister. £30000.
" Rbt Horatio. 26. 9. 26. 7.74.Fowey,Cornwall.At sea.Emma P,rel£200.
" William. 24. 4. 30.12.73.Little Brickhill,Bucks. John Sampson P, Luton, Beds, Son. £100.
" William Barn-11. 4. 23. 1.74.Wood Green,Mx.Catherine P,relict£300.
well.

(Is this some relation to Edward Barnwell,M.A. whose 'Perrot Notes' we have been serialising in the Journal?.Explains the reason why he took such interest in the "p's".)

Perret.Chas Hannam24. 8.16. 3.71.Horsington,Som.Eliz P,relict. £30.
" Mary. 11. 6. 28. 9.73.Iffley Rd, Oxon.Jn Damen,Dorchester, Dorset, Exec. £200.
Perrett. George. 27. 7. 1. 7.74.Holloway,Mx.Caroline P,relict.Ad£3000.
" James. 5. 6. 3. 7.73.Gillingham,Dor.William P,son. £3000.
" Jesse. 15.12. 17. 8.74.Dursley,Glos, but late of Montreal, Quebec.Died there.Ellen P, of Wotton-U-Edge. relict. £200.
" Joseph. 8.10. 26. 6.74.Stogursey,Som.William & Thos P £3000.
" Letitia. 10. 4. 11.10.62.E.Stour,Dorset.John P,father.Ad.£100.
Perrott.Louisa Duerdin. 10. 6. 25. 4.74.Tollington Park, Mx. Matilda Sydall P, mother, exec. £8000.

PERROT NOTES. The next installment of Barnwell's book now follows:-

PERROT NOTES. (CONT.)

Contemporary with the first John Perrot of Morton were two other branches, one settled in the city of Hereford, the other at Ballingham in the same county.

THE PERROTS OF HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

The origin of this branch is not known. They bore, however, the usual Perrot coat. The first of the name was Henry, who had two sons, Henry and Thomas.

HENRY PERROT, eldest son, who was of age in 1672, purchased lands at Old Weston, in the county of Huntingdonshire, and married in 1682 a Dorothy Leake, of Overdean in Bedfordshire. The issue of this marriage was:- 1. Henry; 2. Richard; 3. John; 4. Sarah, wife of Henry Spurrier of Old Weston.

John,the third son, married Eleanor, daughter of Francis Parris, of Bythorne, in the county of Huntingdon, and had:- 1. John, who died unmarried; 2. Dorothy, wife of Thomas Parker, who died without issue; 3. Elizabeth, married - 1st. John Hanger; 2. John Willan, in holy orders, and left issue.

HENRY PERROT, eldest son of Henry, was in holy orders, and of Holywell in the county of Hants. He married Catherine, daughter of Sir William Halford, and had issue:- 1. Charles; 2. Catherine; 3. Arabella; and 4. Henry. The last three appeared to have died without issue.

CHARLES PERROT, the eldest son of Henry, was a fellow of New College, Oxford, and in holy orders. He married a daughter of Robert Francis,of Norwich, but left no issue. He was a considerable benefactor of Wooton Bassett, Wilts. Although of the name of Perrot, he appears to have proved his connection with the sister of William of Wykeham, through his mother Catherine Halford, descended on the female side from Sir William Fenys (Lord Say and Sele, 1451.) who married Margaret, daughter and heir of William Wickham of Broughton.

The pedigree frequently alluded to as in the possession of Mr. Bransby Francis, of Norwich, was inherited by him from the representative of the last Charles Perrot. It is not on wood, as stated, but appears to have been cut on a large roll and pasted on a frame. It finishes with the following children of the Lord Deputy, Sir John Perrot,as follows:- Sir Thomas; William; Lettice; and Jane, wife of John Phillips of Picton. Jane seems to be an error for Anna.

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The above concludes the narrative of the book which was 130 pages in extent. I have probably learnt more from typing it with my two fingers, as one can take it in better slowly. It is now worth members reading it again from the beginning,as reading it in three monthly extracts is not the best way to assimilate the contents. As I have said before this was a labour of love for Barnwell and must have taken a very long time to assemble all the data before commencing the book. Nowadays so much of it is on the shelves of the P.R.O. and other repositories and it is possible to order photocopies from ones armchair and have them in a few days. Barnwell must have done a considerable amount of writing and also travelling to complete the work.

The remainder of the book consists of an Appendix covering various data to do with the various branches. The first part is a series of pedigrees which follow on the next few pages. These have appeared in an early Journal and were typed - very poorly I must add - so I feel it would be a good idea to repeat them so that they appear as part of the'book', which members can make up into one 'volume' by removing the middle pages from the Journals in which the extracts have appeared.

APPENDIX.

I.

PERROT OF JESTYNTON AND HAROLDSTON.

Corrected Arms of Harford. (See p. 10.)

? ADAM, or ? RICHARD PERROT=

Stephen=Eleanor, coheir of Meirchion ap Rhys

1. Andrew=Janet Mortimer
2. Eleanor, w. of Einion Vawr, of Coed

1. William=Jane Harford
2. Catharine, w. of Cradog ap Howell
3. Elizabeth, w. of David Wynter

Peter=Mable Cannaston (Gaveston or Kynaston)

Stephen=Mable Castle or Castleton

1. John=Jane Joyce
2. Thomas=Alice... (*See Scotsborough line*)
3. Lettys, w. of John ap Gronwy
4. Catharine, w. of Evan ap Gwylim

Peter=Alice Harold

? Alice, w. of Stephen Malefant

Stephen (1)=Ellen Howell (2)=Margaret Stepney

1. Thomas=(1) Alice Picton =(2) Jane...
2. Ann, w. of Wm. White
1. Henry
2. Agnes, w. of Wm. Warren

1. Thomas=Jane Guise
2. John
3. Stephen
4. Jane, w. of Phil. Elliot
5. Ellen, w. of Rich. Wyriott
6. Margaret, 2nd w. of Gruff: ap Nicolas
7. Emma, w. of Richard Newton

1. William=Jane Wogan
2. Jane, wife of John Elliot

1. Owen=Catharine Pointz
2. Jankyn= ... (*See Caervoriog line*)
3. Maud, w. of Wm. Adams
4. Jane, w. of Phil. Elliot
5. Anne
6. Alice, w. of Rd. Tucker
7. Joyce, wife of Jenkyn Howell
8. Isabella
9. Margaret, w. of Wm. Vaughan

1. Thomas=Mary Barclay
2. Robert
3. Mary, first w. of Griffith White

1. John (1)=Ann Cheyney (2)=Jane Pollard
2. Jane, w. of Wm. Phillips
3. Elizabeth, w. of John Price

Thomas=Dorothy Devereux

1. William d. *s. p.*
2. Lettys, w. of (1) Rowland Lacharn, (2) Walter Vaughan, (3) Arthur, Ld. Chichester
3. Ann, w. of John Philips

1. Roland (or Robert) d. *s. p.*
2. Penelope=(1) Sir Wm. Lower (2) Sir Robert Naunton

PERROT OF CAERVORIOG.

William Perrot=Jane Wogan. (*See Haroldston line*)

2. Jankyn of Caervoriog =...
1. Owen, eldest son. (*See Haroldston line*)

1. Jane, w. of Sir James Bowen
2. Alice=John Lloyd Vachan
3. Ann, w. of Thomas White

Jane=John Perrot of Scotsborough. (*See that line*)

Catharine=Thomas ap Rhys. (*Ditto*)

PERROT OF SCOTSBOROUGH OR SCOTISBURGH.

Stephen Perrot=Mable Canaston. (*See Haroldston line*)

2. Thomas=Alice ...
1. John, eldest son. (*See Haroldston line*)

1. Thomas=Jane, d. of Harry ap Gwylym
2. John
3. Jane, wife of Henry Wogan

John=Isabel Varney

1. David=Jane Wogan
(?) 2. Robert, or Rowland=Alice Lacharn
(?) 3. Jenkyn, killed at Danesmore

1. John=Elizabeth Elliot
2. Jane, w. of Roger Marichurch

1. William (1)=Ann Wyriott (2)=coh. of Harry ap Gwylim
(?) 2. Harry "et fratres ejus"
3. Jane, w. of Lewis ap Thomas

1. John=Jane, d. of Lloyd Vachan (*See Caervoriog line*)
2. Thomas=...
3. Rhos, wife of John Griffiths
Jane, w. of (1) Thos. Herl (2) Hugh Williams

Catharine, sole heir,=Thomas ap Rhys

Jane, wife of Walter Philpin

PERROT OF NORTHLEIGH, OXFORDSHIRE.

No. I.

Owen Perrot of the Pembrokeshire line

George=Isabella Langdale

2 Robert=Alice Gardiner
1 John

2. Simon (1)=Elizabeth Love (2)=Alice White (*See note 1*)
1. Clement d. *s. p.*
7. John
8. Leonard (see No. II)
3. Eliz., w. of Wm. Standen
6. Dorothy, w. of (1) Dr. Brydges, (2) Maynard, (3) Skipwith, (4) Rogers
4. Catharine
5. Alice
9. Jane
10. Agnes

five children (*See account of Simon*)

2. Robert=Mary Withington
1. Edward
3. Simon
4. Edward
5. Walter
6. John
7, 8. Thomas & John, twins
9. Ann, w. of T. Doyle
10. Alice
11. Elizabeth

12. Mary
13. Frances
14, 15. Mary & Dorothy, twins
16. Jane
17. Susanna
18. Martha
19. Christian

2. Edward=Mary Stonhouse
1. Oliver
2. Robert
3. John
4. Ann, w. of W. Poole
5. Elizabeth
6. Mary, w. of J. Banks
7. Susan

1. Robert=Susannah Coningsby
2. Charles
3. Edward
4. William
5. Simon
6. John
7. Elizabeth
8. Ann
9. Mary, w. of R. Lydell, M.D.

2. Charles=Ann Rogers
1. Edward=Margaret Blount d. *s. p.*
3. Margaret, w. of Chambers
10. Ursula

1. Robert d. *s. p.*
2. John=.....
3. Charles d. *s. p.*
4. Benjamin d. *s. p.*
5, 6. Two sons d. infants
7. William d. *s. p.*, 1755
8. Anne, w. of Edm. Sparrow
9. Catharine, w. of, (1), Whitehall; (2), J. Parker

John Edward d. *s. p.*, 1759
10. Susanna, w. of W. Standert
11. Jane, w. of G. Underwood

(*Note.* Another account of good authority gives also three more sons—Robert, Thomas, William.)

PERROT OF NORTHLEIGH.

No. II.

Robert Perrot=Alice Gardiner (*See No.* I.)

- 1. Leonard (4th son) =(1) Symor ..... (2) Dorothy Skipwith
  - 2. Richard=Winifred Luxford
    - 1. James=Ann Dale
      - 1. William d. *s. p.*
      - 2. James=Ann .....
        - Henry=Martha Bourchier
          - Martha d. *s. p.*
          - Cassandra d. *s. p.*
        - Catharine=James Musgrave
          - James Musgrave, succeeded to the estates of Henry Perrot
      - 3. Charles d. *s. p.*
    - 2. Richard
    - 3. George
    - 4. Francis
    - 5. Mary
    - 6. Winifred
    - 7. Jane
    - 8. Susan
  - 1. John= .....Molyns
  - 3. Clement=.....
  - 4. Leonard= .....
  - 5. Dorcas, w. of Wm. Lyde

PERROT OF YORKSHIRE, WORCESTERSHIRE, AND GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

No. I.

John Perrot=Anne ....

- Richard=Dorothy Harris
  - 3. Andrew=Martha Vantlys
    - 4. Thomas=Anastasia Plaxton
      - 1. Richard
      - 2. George=
      - 3. Thomas
      - 4. William
      - 5. Andrew
      - 6. John=Elizb. Savage
      - 7. Charles
      - 8. Martha
      - 9. Mary
      - 10. Anastasia
      - 11. Ann
    - 1. Charles=Hannah Trotter
      - Andrew d. *s. p.*
      - Elizabeth, w. of Preswick
      - Martha
      - Margaret
    - 2. Robert
    - 3. Andrew=Susanna Lambert
      - Andrew, M.D. d. *s. p.*
      - Dorothy
      - Ann
    - George
    - 16 other issue
  - 1. John d. *s. p.*
  - 2. Richard d. *s. p.*
  - 4. Elizabeth, w. of Richard Hewitt

No. II.

Perrot of Bellbroughton, Worcestershire

- Humphrey=Eliz. Taylor
  - 1. William=
    - 1. Thomas=
      - Humphrey, d. *s. p.*
    - 2. John of Pedmore=Sarah ...
      - John=Catharine .....
        - Daughter=Noel
    - (?) 3. Benjamin of Swinford (See No. III)
  - 2. John
  - 3. Humphrey

No. III.

Benjamin Perrot of Swinford=Mary .... (*See No.* II.)

- 1. Benjamin=Frances Stanford
  - 1. John Stanford=Frances Jason
    - 2. John Stanford=Eliz. Eddles
      - 1. John Stanford= ...
        - Robert Stanford
      - 2. Benjamin Jason
      - 3. James Warren
      - 4. other issue
    - 1. Benjamin Jason
    - 3. Robert Warren= ..Eddles
    - 4. Frances
    - 5. Catharine, w. of Holbrook
    - 6. Cæilia, w. of W. Parker
  - 2. Benjamin
  - 4. Ann
  - 5. Mary
  - 6. Cæcilia, w. of Rev. J. Price
  - 3. Frances
- 2. Christopher
- 3. Richard
- 4. Humphrey= ...
  - 1. Benjamin
  - 2. Thomas
- 5. Anne
- 6. Jane, w. of John Bearcroft

(*In the above genealogy, No. III. the daughters are placed after the sons.*)

PERROT OF MONMOUTHSHIRE AND BRECONSHIRE.

Perrot

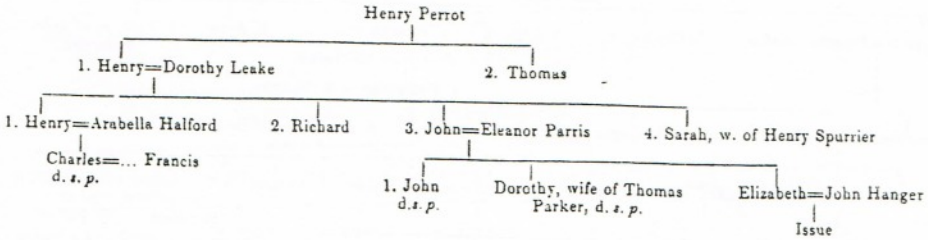
- 1. Gregory=Blanche Lewis
  - 6. Gregory=Jane Dale=David Williams
    - William d. *s. p.*
    - Jane=William Nicholl
      - Jane (surviving child)=Anthony Montonnier Hawkins
        - Henry Montonnier Hawkins
        - 3 sons
        - 2 daughters
    - Mary=Rev. John Perrot of Caerleon
  - 1. Jerome= ...
    - 1. Gregory
    - 2. William
    - 3. Blanch
    - 4. Margaret
  - 4. John
  - 5. William
  - 2. Ann
  - 3. Elizabeth=Meredith Evans
    - 1. William
    - 2. John
    - 3. Rachel
    - 4. Mary
- 2. Walter=Mary ..
- (?) 3. John=Mary ..

PERROT OF HEREFORDSHIRE.

Perrot

- John=Catharine Meyrick
  - Thomas=Alice Wilcox
    - 1. Richard=(1) Margaret Bromwich (2)=Alice Darnell, mother of Walter
      - 1. Symondus=Lady Davenport
        - 2. Robert=Fortuna Tomkins
          - 1. Herbert=(1) Jane Lloyd (2) Hester Barlow (3) Susanna Norris
            - Herbert, d. *s. p.*
            - Hester=Sir John Parkington
          - 2. James
          - 3. Francis
          - 4. Penelope
          - 5. Damaris, w. of Edwardes
        - 3. Frances d. *s. p.*
        - 4. Richard=Alice Paynoll
        - 1. John d. *s. p.*
        - 5. Alice, w. of Walter Gresmond
      - 2. Nathaniel
      - 3. Anna
      - 1. James
      - 2. Thomas
      - 3. John
    - 2. Roger=Elizabeth Brend
    - 3. James=d. of Tyndale
    - 4. Ann, w. of Henry, Monnington
    - 5. Jane
    - 6. Alice, w. of Alexander Evans
- Daug., w. of John Sebrande
- Daug., w. of Crompe

PERROT OF HUNTINGDONSHIRE.



As mentioned elsewhere in the article about the Bedfordshire "P's" the above pedigree of the Huntingdonshire Perrots is fairly certain to have started in Luton, thence to Shillington,Beds, as follows:-

THOMAS PERAT & ANNE. (Will dated 19.5.1550.) Luton.

John & ?? — Thomas, John

Robert & Isabel — Thomas.

Thomas

THOMAS PERET & AGNES. (Will dated 3.10.1558.) Luton.

Thomas, Robert, Edward, William, Eliz'th, Agnes, Jane

— — — — This connection shown through properties bequeathed.

THOMAS PARRATT & MARGARET. (Will dated 25.9.1613.-P.C.C.) Shillington. (Shillington registers give bapt details.)

Thomas (Eldest) — Thomas, John, Judith, Adrie

Robert (of Old Weston) — Edward, Richard, William, Thomas, Francis, Rose *, Douglasse, Marie, Dionis, Ellen, Eliz'th +

Abraham (Dcd 1613) — Thomas, Abraham, Laurence, William, Eliz'th, Katren, Margaret, Anne

Peter — Thomas, Joan, John, Anne

John (Vicar of Shillington) — Thomas, Anne, Marie, Sarah, John, Margaret, George

Richard (Youngest) — 3 Daughters.

(These are persons mentioned in the will of Thomas 1613. Further 'grandchildren' followed.)

(Youngest son,Richard, was unmarried in 1613.)

* A Rose buried Old Weston 8.7.1619.(One bp 1594,Shillington.)
\+ One Bp Old Weston 31.12.1607.

RICHARD PARRETT & ?? Married c1620.(So far not found.) There is however, a marriage at Upper Gravenhiurst,next parish,19.1.1617, to Dorothy Ruffhead.

Marie, Bd 13.7.1621. No bp date.

Henry. Bp 11.2.1622/3 Both at Shillington. (Nothing further in IGI.)

HENRY PARATT & ELINOR,Gent. (Will dated 15.9.1677,Old Weston.)

Henry (Exec), Richard, Thomas, Elinor.

An examination of the Bonds sworn for Marriage Licences in Huntingdon show that Barnwell's pedigree and that found out since are correct. The details are :-

13. 5.1673. John Hammond of Purton to marry Elinor Perrott of Old Weston at either Brington or Old Weston church. Bondsmen were John Hammond , Gent, of Purton, Herts, & Henry Perrott,Old Weston.

23. 7.1679. Richard Perrett of Old Weston, Gent, to marry Elizabeth Hodson at Buckden church. Bondsman was Henry Perrett, gent of Old Weston. (This must be his brother as his father,Henry, had died 1677 - see opposite page.)

16. 4.1685. Thomas Parrett of Old Weston, Gent, to marry Mary Bodell of Great Catworth at Moulsworth church.Bondsmen were Thomas P & William Bodell. (See next)

17. 2.1699. John Banks, Gent, of Hartford, Hunts, to marry Mary Parrott, widow, of Catworth, at Catworth church. Bondsmen were John Banks and Richard Parrott of Great Catworth. This is highly likely to be the widow of Thomas above and one assumes that the Richard P, bondsman, was her brother-in-law. Great Catworth is about 2½ miles south of Old Weston.

31.10.1709. Henry Spurrier to marry Sarah Parratt of Old Weston, spinster, at either Old Weston, Hammerton or Alconbury church.Bondsmen were Henry Spurrier, yeoman, & Nathan Nicholls, grazier of same (Copingford).

2.12.1717. John Parratt of Old Weston, Gent, to marry Eleanor Parris of Bythorne, sp, aged 19, at Bythorne church. Bondsmen were John Parratt and John adcoch of a place I am unable to find as very poorly written.

Note that practically every variant spelling of the 'name' is shown in the above bonds. Joyce Gibbs has extracted various details about this family but a study of the parish registers for the area around Old Weston would be useful as the Bishop's Transcript extracts I have for Old Weston show more "P's" than Barnwell does.

I should add that the pedigrees opposite have been mainly compiled from details given in wills - which shows their great benefit to the genealogist - but some details are also from registers where they are on the I.G.I. As is the case elsewhere I feel that there were other children not shown on Barnwell's pedigree and that research would probably prove that descendants of this family were alive today. Perhaps our Chairman could make a study of this in the Bodlean Library as he has a ticket.

THE HEREFORDSHIRE PERROTS.

Whilst writing the above about pedigrees not always showing all the children of a particular marriage and therefore assuming that a certain line has died out when it ends up with only daughters, I would cite the case of this branch of the Perrot family. If you refer to the pedigree produced by Barnwell for the chapter on Hereford "P's" and shown two pages peviously, you will see that he shows Thomas as the only son of John and Catherine Meyrick. John left a will (P.C.C.) in 1526 and,to prove the point, this is what the family was at that time.It also gives details from whom he purchased his lands.

JOHN PERROT md (1) Catherine - assumed Meyrick.(2) Anne ??

Richard, Henry, Roger, John

Phillip, Thomas, Hugh, George, Edward, Margaret, Elinor, Alice

(Not clear if daughters by Catherine or Anne.)

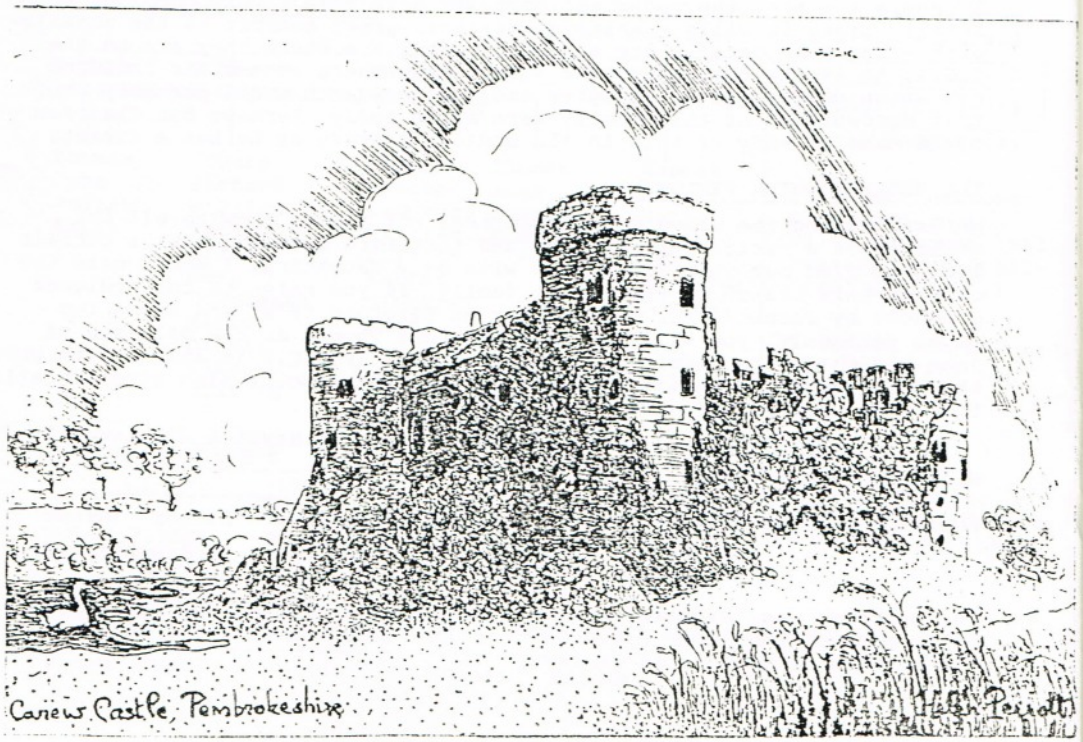
The overseer was "Richard, my son". Executors were John Seybron & John ? It is assumed that John Sybron is the John Sebrande shown by Barnwell as the husband of one of his sisters.

The will states that Catherine was "my late wife" and that Anne is "my now wife". He also mentions that he had an illegitimate son, William, and that his wife Anne was thought to be "with childe". The order of to whom his lands should descend if the first preference dies without male heirs is given, and, apart from a separate land bequest to John 'my son by my first wife', is :- Phillip, Thomas, Hugh, George, Richard -'my eldest son' - John, 'my son by Catherine,my late wife,henry, Roger. He goes on to say that Richard, Henry and Roger,'sons by my first wife Catherine,'are to be responsible for the monies bequeathed to Hugh,George, Edward, "William,my son" (This is the base son.),and then mentions the three daughters, but not whether by his first or 'now wife'. The monies shown total over £160.so quite wealthy as the residue left to his wife Anne.

The lands he owned were purchased from Thomas Wellington and were within the lordship of Morton, Lyde and Bourghill which I assume is Burghill.

Printed in an earlier Journal (Pages 48/9 Autumn/Spring '85) is an account of a case in the Heralds court as to the right of the Herefordshire Perrots to bear the arms used by the Pembrokeshire Perrots. This sets out the case for and against, and shows what is claimed to be the'tie' between the families. Roger Turvey may have more details now and I am sure members would be pleased to have his comments. What is a fact is that the Haroldston estates were left eventually to a descendant of the Herefordshire "P's". Barnwell says he assumes by the similarity of name. I cannot beleive that this was the reason as there were others that could have inherited who were known to be blood descendants. My own view is that there was a younger son of the Pembroke "P's" who wnet to Herefordshire in the late 1400's. Perhaps we can find out.

To finish this article I show below a sketch of Carew Castle that was done by Helen Perrott (Member No. 174) in 1956.



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT AMPTHILL, APRIL 29th, 1989.

1. PRESIDENTS WELCOME.

The President, George Perrett, said another year had passed and that once again it was his pleasant duty to welcome all the members who had travelled from far and wide to be there. It was nice to see many old faces and some new ones who had turned up during the morning and, hopefully, had joined. For the first time his daughter, Terry, was able to be present after her tour of the globe and had brought many greetings and good wishes from members in Australia and New Zealand who had so kindly made her welcome. It was her question as to the family ancestry that had started him in his quest.

He was most interested to learn from the morning's talk that the county of Bedfordshire was probably the first to be connected with the "P's", and even more interested in the possible connection with Wiltshire. The material for the talk had been gathered by Joyce Gibbs with some additionally by Hilda Marson and it was time to thank Joyce once again for all she had done in extracting data for us. Hilda must also be thanked for carrying out the leg work for Peter in organising this A.G.M. The President also thanked 'Pip' Perrett for the printing of the Journal and John & Barbara Parrott for ensuring it went all over the globe. Lastly he thanked the Secretary for all he had done during the past five years in making the Society such a success. However, it was now becoming a full-time task and help was needed to share the load. This would be dealt with later in the meeting.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS & APOLOGIES.

The Chairman, John Perrett, endorsed all the President's remarks and also welcomed all the members present. He agreed that it was becoming urgent to re-organise the working of the Society so that the load was shared and thus release more time for research. The position had been clearly stated in the last Journal. Duplication of records was now vital.

There had been 10 apologies received via the Membership Secretary, & the Secretary had received a further 9. He had also received a letter from New Zealand wishing us all well(from Cliff Perrett) Terry had also brought greetings from the Antipodes. Cathy Marsh and her husband were present from Australia and perhaps next year more would come.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AT NARBERTH, 30.4.88.

These had been printed, with the accounts, in the Summer/Winter 1988 Journal. It was proposed John Parrott (3) and seconded Pip Perrett (120) that the Minutes were a true record and that they be signed by the Chairman. The Minutes and accounts of this meeting would appear in the next Journal.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

The Secretary said that he had received no requests from members in written form and had not been asked verbally during the day. The Chairman then asked if anyone present wished to raise any matter not covered by the agenda. There being no response he called upon the Honorary Secretary & Treasurer to make his report.

5. HONORARY SECRETARY & TREASURER' REPORT.

The Secretary said that he must also thank people even though they had been thanked by the President. It was for him that the work was done and thereby lightened the load. Hilda had found a spacious hall for the meeting - the best ever - and also the caterers who had given us a splendid lunch. There were many other things that had been done

by Hilda to ensure a successful gathering. "P.J" the Vice-Chairman had taken on the task of transporting all the Society data and the exhibition boards to Swindon. We had been asked by the Guild of One-Name Studies (Goons) to provide an exhibition for their A.G.M. which was quite an honour. This would mean that queries could not be dealt with for three weeks or so.

Thanks were also given to Pip, John and Barbara for their help on the Journal printing and distribution which was always eagerly awaited by our overseas members according to their letters. Lastly he must thank Joyce Gibbs who had decided to ease down her research for us during the year. Most of what was on display or in files had been the result of her work, we could never thank her enough. (Applause).

During the financial year 36 members had joined and 14 had not renewed their membership. The total U.K. membership was 187 on the 31st of March and these included the U.S., Canadian and South African members. There were 49 paid-up members in Australia and 12 in New Zealand.Three members had joined since April 1st and seven had joined during the morning. Thelma Gillott (No. 162.) had offered to act as Membership Secretary which had been gratefully accepted.

He then referred to the Society badge which had been mooted for some time and said that Mike Perrett (No. 206.) had negotiated a price for the samples exhibited of approximately £2.00 to £2.25 according to numbers and package costs. Those for Australia and New Zealand would be sent in bulk. After considerable discussion on the design & explanations from Harold Perrett who had experience in the artwork side it was left to him and Mike Perrett to look into and if all the suggestions made could be accommodated then the Secretary was asked to order 150 badges and, if possible, send order forms out with the next Journal, or failing that then with the Autumn issue. Members were asked to see Barbara Parrott after the meeting and give some idea as to how many they would order now that the price was down by half from last time. Colour of badge background left to Harold Perrett who said he would produce an example for the Journal. Generally agreed that the letter "P" be underneath the Perrott coat of arms if possible. (Orders for 72 badges were collected after the meeting finished.)

The Secretary then said that he was not going to go into great detail over the need for more voluntary help as this had been explained in the last Journal. He had received volunteers and would list these under the next item.

Wearing his Treasurer's 'hat' Peter then went on to detail the years accounts. (Copy attached at end of Minutes.) The Society was in an extremely healthy state with a balance to carry forward of £1143.97. Only £87.75 of this sum was for advance payments for the week-end meals so there was over £1050 available to use plus the 1989/90 subs less expenses and Journal costs. He had recommended that the subs for members in the future and those not paying by the A.G.M. be increased by 50 pence as inflation was rising again and also it was necessary to purchase a good second-hand photocopier. He outlined the need for this. This completed the report and the Chairman asked if there were any questions. The excess expenditure over income for the Narberth A.G.M. was raised and the Treasurer explained that this was due to £411 odd being received before the 1st of April 1988. In fact a small profit of £6.00 was made. (£411.50 + £260 + £23.16 minus £688.62.) The Treasurer also explained the reasons for keeping all Society funds in a Deposit account and cancelling the current account.

There being no further questions it was proposed by Nan Perrett and seconded by P.J. Perrott that the report and audited accounts be adopted.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS, ETC.

Chairman.

The President said that the Chairman was willing to continue for one more year and in the absence of further nominations from the meeting It was proposed by P.J. Perrott, (No. 16), seconded by Elizabeth Holland (No.5) that John Perrott be re-elected Chairman.

Vice-Chairman.

The Vice-Chairman said he was willing to continue in the very 'onerous' duty and as no other nominations were forthcoming it was proposed by Mike Perrett (No. 206,)seconded by David Perrett (No. 61) that P. J. Perrott be re-elected.

Honorary Secretary.

Peter Perrett said that he wished to give up this task so that he was able to concentrate on the Journal and have more time available for research for members. What was required would be that the Secretary would act as the 'net' for all enquiries to join, and when new members did join then to direct them to the appropriate person for further research, i.e. the proposed 'County Representatives'. He would also send a copy of the members 'tree' to the Editor so that the details could go in the Journal. It would take some time to set up the system and it would probably be four to six months before it was working as envisaged. There would inevitably be persons contacting himself for a long time as he was in the first five years Journals and these often proved to be where enquirers at Record Offices learnt of the Society. After further discussion P.J. Perrott (No. 16) offered to act in this capacity as well as Vice-Chairman and the meeting approved that he be elected.

Honorary Treasurer.

The Chairman said that Peter Perrett was willing to continue as the task was less onerous and time consuming now that there was a Membership Secretary. It was proposed Archie Perrett (No. 72.)Seconded by Mike Perrett (No. 206) that Peter Perrett (No.1) be re-elected.

Assistant Secretary.

Barbara Parrott intimated that she was willing to continue and it was proposed by E. Holland (No. 5) seconded by G.Perrett(No.2) that Barbara be re-elected.

Membership Secretary.

The Chairman said that Thelma Gillott,(No. 162) had volunteered to act as Membership Secretary at the Farnham meeting when all the Offciers were present and this had been accepted gratefully. It was now necessary to elect Thelma formally. It was proposed Nan Perrett (No.41) seconded David Perrott (No. 89) that Thelma be elected.

Editor-of 'Family Notes'.

This was not an 'Officer' post so no election was required. Peter said he was quite happy to continue provided people could put up with poor punctuation, etc, sometimes!!. However if someone else wished to'have a go' he was quite happy to step down. There were no volunteers. He asked that more members submit articles for publication. He was grateful for the 'snippets' from books, papers, etc, but would like some more longer articles from members other than the two or three who produced them from time to time. More from overseas would be most welcome. He asked that they be typed on A4 paper and with a new ribbon as so many had to be retyped as they were not clear enough for photocopying.

Honorary Auditor.

The Chairman mentioned that Michael Parrott, who had acted as Auditor from the inception of the Society, was at this moment on his way back to New Zealand and it was necessary to appoint a new auditor. He said we were extremely grateful to Michael for his past services and wished him and his wife all the best upon his return home.

In the absence of an Accountant at the meeting Elizabeth Holland said she was happy to act. The question of whether a qualified Accountant should, by law, be appointed was raised. It was left to the Secretary to find out the answer but in the meantime Elizabeth Holland was approved to act as Auditor. A request to be put in the Journal in case an Accountant member was willing to act. It would be April 1990 before an auditors services was required.

County Data holders/Research Secretaries.

Now that the office of Honorary Secretary had been dealt with it was possible to combine these posts. The Secretary said that the following had volunteered their services:-

Bedfordshire:- Hilda Marson. Cambridgeshire,Norfolk,Suffolk:-Mary Feakes. Dorset:-Anne Flooks. Gloucestershire:- Pip Perrett. Kent:- Polly McJannett. Oxfordshire:- John Perrott(Chairman.) Somerset:- George Perrett. Wiltshire:- Joyce Dolan.

After a request for more volunteers the following put their names forward.
Avon:- David Perrett(No.61) - for records of Glos & Somerset now at Bristol. Hampshire:- Chris Parrott. Herts & Bucks:- Karen Heath. London:- Thelma Gillott with David Perrott (no.89) Yorks & Lancs:- Elizabeth Parrott(No. 153).

The Chairman, John Perrott also undertook to act as researcher in the Bodlean Library in Oxford. A request to be inserted in the next issue for further volunteers. Secretary to write to Bette Woodside in U.S.A. to act for Devon enquiries in assistance from Peter. The duties were explained and these would be amplified in next Journal.

It was considered that there were no other Officers or Secretaries required at the moment but situation to be kept under review.

(RE-)ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENTS.

The Secretary apologised for the heading on the Agenda, this was the usual practice in his Junior Football League and was an error. The item was to consider any further Vice-Presidents. Joyce Gibbs said that she thought they should retire after two/three years and offered to do so. The Secretary said that the position was one to honour those who had worked hard for the Society or in other genealogical activities. As Joyce had put such a tremendous input to the Society her offer should not be accepted. The meeting agreed. He suggested that Evelyn Parrott-Scott, who was an Honorary member, might be invited to accept an Honorary Vice-Presidency for her work in the U.S.A. over many years which she was still carrying on. He explained her activities and the Vice-Chairman proposed that she be invited to become a Vice-President of the Society. No other suggestions were forthcoming.

VENUE FOR 1990 A.G.M. AND DATE.

The Secretary said that he had received no suggestions from members as to location for next year. The counties of Somerset,Dorset and Devon were probably the next to be considered as many members were descended from these with Dorset having most. After discussion it was suggested that the Bridport/Symondsbury area be chosen. Many Australian and New Zealand members were interested in this area and, hopefully, some may take the opportunity to come alon. The date - to take advantage of the

Bank Holiday week-end was fixed for the 5th/6th May 1990.

The Secretary offered to spend a day in the area during a forthcoming visit to Devon and find a suitable hall, caterers and accommodation. It was pointed out that this was a holiday area and it would perhaps be better to find suitable accommodation away from the coast. The details would be printed in the first available Journal to enable the members to reserve accommodation well beforehand.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

A. It was proposed by P.J. Perrott that a sum of £100 be allocated from funds to purchase the 1988 (latest) International Genealogical Index from the Mormons. This was seconded by David Perrott and approved. A new member, Mike Pacey (No. 249) said that he was in the process of obtaining fiches for other purposes and that he may be in a position to help at a lower cost. Mrs Cynthia Thomas(No. 243) was also possibly able to help in this respect and it was left to them to liase and then advise Peter Perrett what was still needed to complete the purchase for the entire U.K. and Ireland. The Society already had some 1988 extracts sent by members.

B. It was suggested that at future meetings all members attending should be asked to come along with lapel badges so that others were able to see who they were speaking to. A simple name and the county they were interested in would be sufficient.

C. Karen Heath, (No. 194) said that she had a programme for an Amstrad/IBM compatible personal computer which sorts out the data as required and would be pleased to provide details to any member who used their computer for genealogy.

Please send a stamped addressed envelope or two International Reply coupons with an addressed envelope to:-

Karen Heath, 41B Lawn Lane, Hemel Hempstead, Herts.

CLOSE OF MEETING.

The Chairman said it had been a long meeting but had been necessary to obtain all the helpers required and also to ascertain members wishes on other subjects. If there was no further business he thanked everyone for attending and looked forward to seeing everyone again in Dorset next year. There being no further business he closed the meeting at 4-10 p.m.

.....Chairman. 5.5.90.

A MID-TERM MEETING.

Unfortunately the question of a meeting in November was not covered at the A.G.M. Due to the short daylight hours it is necessary that any meeting is somewhere not too far from Crowborough where all the records and Exhibition boards are kept. Some of the records will be kept at the County Secretaries homes when the new procedures are in force but these will only be photocopies of the originals and only relate to a particular county.

I am quite happy to organise a mid-term meeting in the vicinity of Crowborough but if any other member would like it in their area, as long as it is around London, then I am quite happy for them to take over the organisation. Please let me know if you wish to volunteer.

Could I suggest that the meeting is held on Sunday November the 26th of November. You can at least reserve the date if not the location. I will let members know this, with a slip for reserving lunches, in the Autumn/Spring Journal.

THE TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.FOR THE YEAR 1st APRIL 1988 TO 31st MARCH 1989.

INCOME.

Balance brought forward from '87/88.	1287.50 *
Subscriptions for '88/89.	1036.82
Donations.	33.25
Sale of past Journals.	62.50
A.G.M. '88 meals,coach fares,etc.	260.00
A.G.M. '88 - Coffee/tea profits.	23.16
Farnham meeting - payments for meal.	324.00
Advance payment of '89/90 subs.	44.52
Deposit Account interest.	52.67
Payments for certificates.	25.50
Advance payments for lunches,89 AGM.	87.75
	£3237.67

EXPENDITURE.

Admin,postage,Stationery,Files,indexes.	137.20
Research and purchase of indexes,etc.	365.22
Postage of Journals.	170.67
Printing of Journals,AGM notices,index.	302.63
1988 A.G.M. - Meals,coach,etc.	688.62
Farnham meeting,meals,refunds,expenses.	331.95
Refund to member for excess payment.	3.50
G.O.O.N.S. subscription for 1989.	6.00
Purchase of certificates for members.	41.75 *
Bank charges on current account.	10.05 **
A.G.M. '89. Hall Hire & other expenses.	36.11
Balance to carry forward to '89/90.	1143.97
	£3237.67

Bank Statement 31.3.89. £1143.97

* This sum included £348.21 for advance payments of 1988/9 subscriptions and a sum of £411.50 for advance payments for meals, coach fares,at the 1988 A.G.M.

* A sum of £16.25 is due for certificates purchased on behalf of members.
** The current account at the bank has now been closed as it was costing approx £3.50 for each cheque cashed.

I approve these accounts and confirm that I have made available all relevant records and information to the Auditor for their examination.

P.S.Perrett. Honorary Treasurer. 4.4.89.

Accountants report to the members of the Perrett Soc.

In accordance with instructions given to me I have examined, without carrying out an audit, the annexed accounts. From this examination and from information and explanations supplied to me, I can confirm that they have been prepared from the accounting records of the Society.

B.Com.,ACA, London. April 1989.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE "P's".

There now follows a precis of the talk which was given to the members who attended the A.G.M. at Ampthill. It was given by Peter Perrett who would like to thank Joyce Gibbs and Hilda Marson for obtaining much of the data from which it was composed.

"Some members may wonder why Bedfordshire was chosen as a venue for this years A.G.M. as it would appear that the area has little to do with the armigerous or more famous "P's". Admittedly we have quite a number of members whose roots lie in the County, and also the opportunity was taken of arranging a location that was more central than last year at Narberth, with the hope that the members scattered all round the London area and the south-east would find the journey more amenable than the long trek to the furthest corner of South Wales.

We have been in for a surprise, because there would appear to be a great deal of relevance in choosing this area. Those of you who attended the AGM at Narberth will recall that Roger Turvey,who gave us such a vivid account of the Pembrokeshire Perrotts, expressed his doubts as to the long held belief that this most famous of all the Perrott branches had settled in Pembroke soon after the Norman Conquest, although he could not find any satisfactory documentation that this was the case. Barnwell,whose 'Perrot Notes' we have been serialising in the Society Journals,states that the Perrotts were said to have arrived in Pembroke C1112, as"all the Flemings in the country were gathered, with other foreigners, and settled between Tenby and Haverfordwest." It was only in 1235 to 1240 that Janet Mortimer could have been of age to marry Andrew Perrot, the first one to be well documented, which is more than a century after Andrew's father is said to have existed. Hence Roger Turvey's scepticism of the early pedigree. He thought it more likely that the Kent "P's" were the eldest on record.

Turning now to Bedfordshire again, Joyce Gibbs has extracted much data from the PRO and printed books. In addition the Mormon's I.G.I. for the county of Bedfordshire is one of the best covered counties. Of the 135 parishes in the county, only 13 have not been included in the latest IGI print-out.we have.(1984) Most of the parish registers have survived from the early to mid 1500's and where they start in the early 1600's the Mormons have included details from Bishop's Transcripts from earlier dates. Lastly the wills and admons from the county seem to have survived in greater numbers than usual for other counties the membership is interested in. There is also a Victoria County History for the county which is a mine of information and well documented as to where the various deeds and records may be found that were used to compile the history.

The Society also has data concerning the Perots of Kent and it is quite clear from this data that they and the Bedfordshire Perots are of the same family. The only mentions so far found of a "P" in the Domesday Book occurs in Bedfordshire,Essex, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire. As far as Beds is concerned the family held land at Streatley, about 7 miles to the South East of Ampthill, at Beeston, Wyboston and Northill. At future times the family added to their holdings more lands at Radwell, Carlton, Harlington, Pulloxhill - where we shall be having lunch tomorrow - besides other lands in neighbouring Bucks. Land holdings in other Eastern counties included Hawkwell, Essex; Sawston and Babraham, Cambridgeshire.Glenham,Sf.

It is not until the reign of Henry I that mention is made of the family having lands in Kent. These were at Knowlton,Ringleton,Archeslowe, and later at Sandown and Worth. However, the references in both counties are of the same person on many occasions. As far as Kent is concerned there were "P's" at Knowlton well into the 1500's, but whether descendants of the original family requires investigation. Other references tend to support the contention that this was Pirot/Perot the knight who came with

William of Normandy in 1066 and,like the others who came with him,were well rewarded after the victory at Hastings.

The christian name of the first Perot, or as it is recorded in ancient documents - Pirot, is at present unknown, but his son who succeeded him was called Alan, son of Pirot, and he is mentioned as the holder of the Kent lands as well as all those in Bedfordshire and adjoining counties mentioned above..He was succeeded by another Alan who is mentioned as a benefactor of St. Albans church.. Next comes Ralph - when the name now becomes firmly established as Perot - who was either the brother or the father of the second Alan due to the dates of recorded deeds. He gave lands to the Abbey of Colchester.

As seems to be the general case with early pedigrees only the son who succeeded is given and this happens well into the 1500's generally. (We have seen this in regard to John Perrot of Herefordshire whose pedigree of descendants only shows one son, but from his will we have found that there were in fact nine, plus a base son and yet another child in the womb.) However, Ralph 1 was succeeded by Ralph 2, his son, and there is now mention of two other sons, William Perot and John Perot who held the family lands at Pulloxhill in 1166, precisely 100 years after the Conquest. No doubt all these generations had other sons and daughters who may be the ancestors of the "P's" of Bedfordshire who appear later on. This Ralph II held 17 Knight's fees in 1166 and made generous benefactions, amongst them to Woburn Abbey which he entered in 1194 as a monk.

Ralph III succeeded in 1195 and held the main Perot fiefs until his death in 1222. He was succeeded by Richard, his eldest son, and on his death in 1227 by his brother Ralph IV. who died in 1252. We know of two sons of his. his successor Ralph V, born c1226, and Henry who was the sheriff of Kent in 1278. The Inquisition Post Mortem taken on Ralph IV's death shows Ralph V as a knight and aged 26 or more in 1552. He served in the campaign in Wales under Henry III in 1257, attended the King in France in 1259, and was summoned for service in Wales in 1263. The wars with the Welsh had been continuous since the Conquest and it is quite possible that other sons of this family may have been involved and were the ancestors of the more well known Pembrokeshire Perrots as suggested by Roger Turvey last year.

Ralph V was one of the barons that allied himself with Simon de Montford, and was taken prisoner in April 1264 when the King, Henry III, took the town of Northampton. Henry's defeat at Lewes later that year released the Northampton prisoners. When war broke out again the following year Simon de Montford's son Simon was with Sir Ralph Perot and they were besieged at Kenilworth. The following year Simon de Montford senior lost his life at the battle of Evesham and his son and Sir Ralph were able to escape from Kenilworth - Simon going to France whilst Sir Ralph became one of the 'dispossessed' and went to the Isle of Ely where they lived by harrying the countryside around. Eventually they were pardoned and Ralph returned to Bedfordshire. After further troubles he appears as a prisoner in the Tower of London for debts,1274-6.Further service was in Wales 1277 and 1282, (and 1283,) Gascony in 1294, Scotland 1296-8, at 70 years of age!!.

He married Cassandra, thought to be the daughter of Sir Giles de Argenyein, who bore him five sons at least. One was called Simon probably after Simon de Montford. Others were Reginald who acquired the Harlington property on Ralph's death in 1305. Another was Thomas who became a professor of civil law in 1324 and died 1329, Alan of whom nothing is known and Ralph who had served with his father in Wales in 1277. This Ralph (the VI) died before his father and when Reginald died he was succeeded by yet another Ralph (the VIIth) who was Ralph Vi's son. He was alive in 1336 and a reference to a Ralph Perot in 1346 is thought to be the same person. There are mentions of other members of this family in Bedfordshire but not much is known after the mid 1350's at present. In 1428 there is a

reference to a Perot holding land at Eaton Socon and a Thomas Perot in 1538. John Perot, the brother of Ralph Perot II had descendants as well as the main line and is fairly well documentd down to 1262. No doubt other sons who are not mentioned because they were not direct heirs were owners of smaller areas of land as likewise the other sons of the main line. Possibly the Black Death of 1349 is the reason for lack of data.

The next mention of the Bedfordshire Perrotts begin with the wills that were proved in the Bedfordshire church courts and the P.C.C. wills. At about the same time as these we see the beginning of the parish registers. Other clues that the "P's" were people of some standing is shown in the various Heralds Visitations of Bedfordshire, where they appear in many of the pedigrees of well connected families. They do not appear to have claimed any arms in the various visitations which is strange as later on the Perrotts of Huntingdonshire claimed the usual Perrot arms of the 3 pears and we have been able to prove that this branch were in fact the descendants of the Bedfordshire Perrott/Parrotts, and may have been connected with the Perrots of Bellbroughton in Worcestershire, which I will refer to later on.

The earliest Bedfordshire wills, both church court and P.C.C. are for Luton. This is lucky as the earliest registers for this town do not start until 1602 - the first ones having been lost. It is possible to make a rough list of families from these wills though obviously many names and some branches will be missing. What is certain is that these "P's" were very wealthy for those days. They had many acres of freehold land as well as copyhold, and also many houses and tenements, orchards,pasture and the like. Their bequests in money was in tens of pounds rather than pence.

The possible armigerous connections with the usual "Three Pears" coat of arms take three forms. Firstly, there is a chapter in Perrot Notes,which has been serialised in the Journal,concerning the Huntingdonshire Perrots. This will appear in the next issue but it states that a family of Perrot who lived at Old Weston in that county bore the usual coat of arms. It starts with a Henry Perrot but from whence he came is not known. Barnwell goes on to tabulate the descendants of this Perrot. However, the will of a Thomas Parrott of Shitlington (now called Shillington - perhaps for obvious reasons!!) provide the answer. This Thomas made his will in 1613 and was an extremely wealthy man besides siring many sons, six of whom were living in 1613 with a total of 14 grandsons and 14 grandaughters on the male side alone. The total monetary bequests come to £1390 to his kin besides large bequests to others. The land - mostly given in acres - totals 267 acres plus many other areas mentioned where the acreage is not given. He still owned much land in Luton and 210 acres in Old Weston which went to two of his sons, Richard and Robert.

A series of Feet of Fines for Hunts, extracted at the PRO by Joyce Gibbs, mentions five occasions between 1580 and 1601 when a Thomas Parratt,Gent, let his lands there to various tenants, including areas at Brington and Bythorne. It is not possible to tie up these acreages with his will as they are not all denoted. However he owned farmhouses and tenements as well as the land. Luckily Bishops Transcripts exist for the parish of Old Weston and it is possible to tie up the connection very easily.

Thomas left the lands and farms at Old Weston to his sons Robert and Richard in two separate bequests of approximately half each. Barnwell states that the first recorded there was a Henry Perrott with the three pears coat. Richard was unmarried at the time of his father's will, being the youngest son. However he did marry and in 1622 a son Henry was baptised to him. We know the children of Robert the other son to whom the lands in Old Weston were left, from his will. He moved from there back to Meppershall, the parish adjacent to Shillington and died there. Some of his children were born at Old Weston and complete the names mentioned in Thomas's will.

This Henry Perrott left a will dated 1677 and styles himself 'Gentleman', His three sons still living then were named Richard, Thomas and Henry. It is 99% safe to say that this branch of the armigerous"P's" descend from Thomas Parrott of Shillington, Beds. Note the name Richard - probably after his father, Thomas - after his grandfather? ,and Henry, after himself. No doubt further investigation into the deeds, etc, of Huntingdon would turn up further proof.

The possibility that there is a connection with this particular Bedfordshire branch of "P's" and the armigerous ones elsewhere is, secondly,(and I have been a long time getting there) is from some data on the Worcestershire Perrotts of Bellbroughton. This states that in the Add. MSS, B.M. 5533, is a pedigree of a family of Parrott, claiming descent from the Bell Hall stock. It commences with Robert Parrrott, of Lillington,Beds, who is stated to have been the son of ".....Parrott of Bell Hall in County Hereford" the Hereford has then been altered to Hertford. This Robert had issue Nicholas, of Cadicott, Co. Herts, who, by Frances his wife, daughter of Edward Wren of Cadicott, was father of Joseph Parrott of London, who married Mary, daughter of .....Bromley, of County Notts, and with whom the pedigree terminates.

I have found the marriage of Nicholas and Frances Wren in the IGI and this took place on 12.10.1589. at Codicote,Herts. I cannot find a birth of a Nicholas to a Robert in Beds but there is one on 19.8.1565. at Cheshunt. Unfortunately not stated is the father's christian name. It would need further investigation to see if there is any substance in the allegation. Assuming the date of baptism is around 1565 and that this Nicholas was an eldest child of the Robert mentioned then Robert would have been born around 1540. assuming he was 25 when Nicholas was born.

This would make him a son of Roger Perrot of the Worcestershire branch. It is, therefore, worthy of note that there is a will of a Roger Perot of Luton, dated 1535, which mentions sons named Roger, Robert, and also one named Humphrey which is a much repeated Bellbroughton name. This Roger was the son of a John Perot who also made a will in 1525 so the dates of the earlier supposition are very close. Other sons were William, Henry and Thomas. It is the names of Roger and Humphrey that make one wonder if there is some truth in the claim to the Perrott arms. Later, in 1637 at Shillington, the name Humphrey is given to one of the descendants of Thomas Parrott whose will of 1613 I have mentioned before. I think a further investigation of all these pointers would be a worthwhile project. Perhaps our Chairman, John Perrott, would see if he can find any further data in the Bodlean Library at Oxford.

You will have seen on the map of Bedfordshire that I have marked where there were "P's" in the 1500's. By using the IGI and wills it is fairly evident that they spread out over the surrounding areas over the next two or three centuries and it is probable that, with a certain amount of research, it should be possible to tie in most of our Bedfordshire "P" members with those of the few parishes where they were alive and thriving in the 1500's.

I cannot finish without referring to the Reynold/Reginald Perot who held the manor of Plaitford and other lands in the area in the mid 1300's.We know from his Inquisition Post-Mortem that his heir was a Ralph Perot. Reference to the pedigrees shown on the board will show that Reginald was a name connected with the Bedfordshire "P's" and the fact that he was connected with a long line of Ralphs practically back to the Conquest makes one wonder if he was not a descendant of this line. Perhaps also the ancestor of all the Wiltshire Perretts that followed. Food for thought anyway.

Finally, the "P's" of Beds are well documented in the CRO & PRO indexes. Early on they were all 'Gentlemen' or Yeomen farmers. Over the years they branched out to many trades and professions, very typical of the "P's" of this world. Let us think of them today, they may well be the ancestors of most of us in this hall. At present I cant prove it.

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